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Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 6-24673 is disclosed on page 2 in the specification of the above-identified application.

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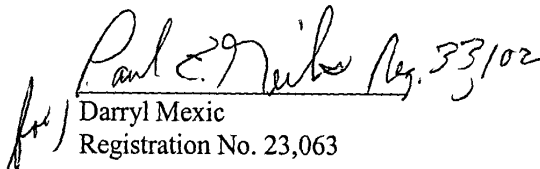
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